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FM AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

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INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMEMBASSY VIENNA

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, HU, PLO

SUBJ: ARAFAT VISIT TO HUNGARY

1. PLO LEADER YASSER ARAFAT VISITED BUDAPEST OCT 13-14  
AT INVITATION OF HSWP AND PALESTINIAN SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE.  
HE MET WITH CC SECRETARIES BELA BISZKU AND ARPAD PULLAI  
AND DEPUTY FONMIN ROBERT GARAI.

2. JOINT COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT "VIEWS WERE EXCHANGED  
IN SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP AND UNDERSTANDING ON MIDEAST  
SITUATION AND ANTI-IMPERIALIST STRUGGLE BY ARAB PEOPLES".  
CALLED PLO "ONLY LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF ARAB  
PEOPLE OF PALESTINE".

3. PLO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR HUNGARIANS' SUPPORT  
AND WENT ON TO CONDEMN IMPERIALISTS AND REACTIONARY  
MACHINATIONS TO DISRUPT FRIENDSHIP AND COOPEATION  
BETWEEN PROGRESSIVE ARAB FORCES AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES".  
BOTH SIDES STATED THAT COORDINATION OF STEPS ON MIDDLE  
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EAST SITUATION WOULD CONTINUE. COMMUNIQUE DID NOT SPELL

OUT WHAT THESE STEPS WERE.

4. COMMUNIQUE ANNOUNCED THAT PLO WILL SET UP REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN BUDAPEST. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION YET AS TO WHAT THE NATURE AND FUNCTION OF THIS OFFICE WILL BE.

5. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PALESTINIAN STUDENTS STUDYING IN BUDAPEST, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER ANY OF THEM ARE ACTIVE IN ANY LIBERATION ORGANIZATION. FORMATION OF OFFICE MAY MAKE PLO RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES SOMEWHAT EASIER.

6. WE DOUBT THAT AGRFAT'S VISIT WILL BRING ANY SIGNIFICANTLY GREATER COOPERATION BETWEEN HUNGARY AND THE PALESTINIANS, BUT IT DID AFFORD THE GOH AN OPPORTUNITY TO AGAIN DEMONSTRATE ITS PUBLIC SOLIDARITY WITH THE "LIBERATION FORCES OF THE WORLD".  
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